

Freedom of Information request 216-17

Request

1. To provide under Freedom of Information Legislation, the total expenditure on services not provided by NHS employees (for example outsourced laundry services) from 2007/8 to current year, broken down by year.
2. Please also provide a breakdown of all types of services not provided by NHS staff.

These kind of services that are outsourced can be:

Associated services delivered through PFI contracts for which the Board pays a unitary charge. The payments includes the costs associated with the repair / maintenance / replacement of the buildings & some equipment & grounds maintenance & services which includes pottering, some security services, domestic services, laundry, catering & window cleaning.

Response

NHS Borders has not had and currently does not have any outsourced services for the period 2007 to date.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **216-17** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.